



# The Marshal

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## CHAPTER X.

### The Promise.

"Mon Dieu!" said the general. It was six years later. At the new chateau not a blade of grass seemed changed. The general stood in the midst of close-cropped millions of blades of grass as he stopped short on the sloping lawn which led down to the white stone steps which led to the sunken garden. Alix, in her riding habit, with a feather in her hat, and gauntleted gloves on her hands, was so lovely as to be startling. She looked at the ground, half shy, half laughing, and beat the grass with her riding-whip. Francois was leaning toward her and talking, and the general, coming slowly down the lawn, felt a flood of pride rise in him as he looked at this successful picture of a boy which he had done so much to fashion. The two had been riding together, and Francois appeared, as most men do, at his best in riding clothes. With that, as the general marched slowly down the velvet slope, unheeded by them, regarding them his girl and his boy, this happy sister and brother—with the brother lifted his sister's hand and, bending over it, kissed it slowly, in a manner unmistakably unbrotherly.

"Mon Dieu!" gasped the general, and turned on his heel and marched back to his library.

All that afternoon he stayed shut up in the library. At dinner he was taciturn.

The next morning the general sent for Francois to come to him in the library. A letter had been brought a short time before and was lying upon the table by his hand.

"Francois," began the general in his deep abrupt tones, "I am in trouble. Will you help me?"

"Yes, my Seigneur," said Francois quickly.

The general stared at him, frowning. "You shall see," he said again, and then—suddenly as a shot from a cannon—"Does Alix love you, Francois?"

"I—I think not, my Seigneur," he answered in a low voice.

"I am hurting you," the deep voice said—and only one or two people in the world had heard that voice so full of tenderness. "I am hurting my son. But listen, Francois. It was the dearest wish of Pietro's father—that Alix and Pietro should one day be married. It is that which would be the crown of a friendship forged in the fires of battle-fields, tempered in the freezing starving snow fields of Russia, finished—I hope never finished for all eternity."

Francois, his head bent, his eyes on the general's hand which held his, answered very quietly, "I see," he said. "You would not take her from Pietro, who, I am sure, loves her?"

Francois looked up sharply, but the general did not notice. He spoke slowly. "I promised Pietro's father—that the boy should be out of breath—'to be Pietro's friend—always,' he said."

The general smiled then and let the fingers go, and turned to the letter on the table before him. "Good!" he said. "You are always what I wish, Francois," and it was quite evident that the load was off his mind.

## CHAPTER XI.

### With All My Soul.

The general swung around to the lad. "Francois, this letter is about you." He tapped the rustling paper. "Pietro wants you to come to him as his secretary."

Francois' large eyes lifted to the general's face, inquiring, startled, childlike. "Pietro!" he said slowly. "I had not thought of that."

"Yet you knew that Pietro was



"I Am Louis Bonaparte."

heart and soul in the plots of the Italian patriots?"

"Yes."

"But you had not thought of going to help him fight?"

"No, my Seigneur. I had thought only of the fight for which I must be ready here."

"The Italian business will be good practice," said the general, as a man of today might speak of a tennis tournament. "And you and Pietro will be enchanted to be together again."

Francois smiled, and something in the smile wrung the general's heart. "Francois, you are not going to be unhappy about little Alix?"

Quickly Francois threw back, as if he had not heard the question: "My Seigneur, I will go to Pietro; it will be the best thing possible—action and

training, and good old Pietro will be a comrade. My Seigneur, may I go to-morrow?"

"Tomorrow!" The general was startled now. "A thousand thanks, but you are a sudden lad! Yet it will be no harder to give you up tomorrow than it would be next month. Yes, to-morrow, then, let it be."

Francois stood up, slim, young, alert and steady, yet somehow not as the boy who had come in to the general an hour before; more, perhaps, as a man who had been through a battle and come out very tired, with the noise of the fighting in his ears.

"I will go to the farm tonight, to my mother and my father. And this afternoon I will ride with Alix, if you do not want me for the book, my Seigneur—and if she will go. May I ask you not to tell Alix of this—to leave it to me to tell her?"

"You," agreed the general doubtfully. "But you will be careful not to upset her, Francois?"

"I will be careful."

"And—and you will do what you can to help Pietro, will you not, my son?"

A quick contraction twisted Francois' sensitive mouth and was gone, but this time the general saw. "You may trust me, my Seigneur," the boy said, and moved to the door; but the general called to him as his hand touched the latch.

"Francois!"

"Yes, my Seigneur." He faced about, steady and grave, and stood holding the door.

"Francois, my son—I have not hurt you—very much? You do not love Alix—deeply? Do you love her, Francois?"

There was a shock of stillness in the old dim library. Through the window—where the children's shouts had come in ten years before to the marble and the general—one heard now in the quiet the sudden staccato of a late cricket. The general, breathing anxiously, looked at Francois. Francois standing like a statue. The general repeated his question softly, breathlessly. "Do you love her, Francois?"

With that the great eyes blazed and the whole face of the boy lighted as if a fire had flamed inside a lantern. He threw back his head.

"With all my soul," he said. "And forever."

A rushing mountain stream—white-voled in the falling, black-brown in the foam-flecked pools—tumbled, splashed, brawled down the mountain; the mountain hung over, shadowy; banks of fern held the rampant brook in chains of green. Alix and Francois, riding slowly in the coolness of the road below, looked up and saw it all, familiar, beautiful, full of old associations.

"One misses Pietro," Francois said. "He always wanted to ride past the 'Trou du Gouverneur'."

A Roman legend had given this name to the deep pool of the brook by the road; it was said that the cruel old governor had used it, two thousand years back, for drowning refractory peasants. Alix gazed steadily at the dark murmuring water.

"Yes, one misses him. Is life like that, do you suppose, Francois? One grows up with people, and they get to be as much a part of living as the air, or one's hands—and then, suddenly, one is told that they are going away. And that ends it. One must do without air, without hands, without a world, Francois!"

"We are not meant to like it too much, I believe, Alix," said Francois punningly. "It is just an accident, this world, when you stop to consider. This is school, this life, I gather. My mother says it is not very important if one has a good seat in the school-room or a bad; if one sits near one's playmates or is sent to another corner, so long as one is a good child and works heartily at one's lessons it is only for a day—and then we go home, where all that is made right. Not a bad idea of my mother's, is it, Alix?"

"Your mother is a wonderful woman," Alix answered thoughtfully. "She lives like that. She never lets things trouble her, not even when your father lost everything. Did she, Francois?"

"No," said Francois. "She is one of the few people who know what the real things are and live in them. It is hard to do that. I can not. I care so bitterly for what I want. 'It is'—Francois hesitated—"it is very hard for me to give up—what I want." He stumbled over the words; his voice shook so that Alix shifted in the saddle and looked at him inquiringly.

"Alix—dear"—then Francois stopped. "You need not be afraid that I shall have more than Pietro," he began uncertainly. "For it is not going to be so. He will have what—that I would give my life for." Then he hurried on. "I see how it is," he said gently, "and you are right to care so loyally for Pietro. He is worth it. And you must never care less, Alix—never forget him because he has gone away. He will come back." The boy spoke with effort, slowly, but Alix was too much occupied with her own tumultuous thoughts to notice.

"He will surely come back and be long to you more than ever. He will come back distinguished and covered with honors, perhaps, and then—and then—Alix, do you see the chestnut tree at the corner that turns to the chateau? It is a good bit of road—"

"—we will race to that tree—shall we? And then I will tell you something."

The horses raced merrily; Alix sat close to the saddle with the light swinging seat, the delicate hand on the bridle, which were part of her perfect horsemanship, and over and over as he watched her ride Francois said to himself:

"I will give my happiness for the Seigneur—I said it, and I will. I will be a friend to Pietro always—I said it, and I will."

Over and over the horses' flying feet pounded out that self-command, and at length the music of the multiplying hoof beats grew slower, and with tightening reins they drew in and stopped under the big chestnut. Alix was

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"Wasn't it a good race? Didn't they go deliciously?" she threw at him. "And then, 'We will go around by the Desmontes Road; it is only three miles farther, and it is early in the afternoon; there is nothing to do.'"

Francois spoke slowly. "I am afraid—I must not, Alix. I am going to the farm tonight."

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pona, with the Austrians at the gate of the city, she waited in anxiety almost more intense than she could bear the word of the doctor as to her son. Five days before, at Forl, her older boy had died, and her sore heart stirred with a sickening throbbing as she thought of this other—Louis—now her only child, lying in the room beyond in a high fever, ill with the disease with which his brother had fallen. A woman's soul might well be overcrowded with such sorrow and such fear, but there was more. Her two boys had thrown in their lot shortly before with the Italian revolutionists, and had fought, and had distinguished themselves. And now that the revolution of the Romagna was a failure, that the Austrian army was advancing victoriously, now that death had taken the older to safety, the younger—Louis—the invalid lad in the room beyond—was in imminent danger. He was excepted from the general amnesty; the natural ways of escape were closed, for the authorities of Tuscany and of Switzerland had let her know that the Prince would not be permitted in those territories. From Rome two of her son's uncles, Cardinal Fesch and King Jerome, had sent word that if he were taken by the Austrians he was lost. And at the moment when Hortense had decided to carry her boy off to Turkey by way of Corfu, an Austrian fleet appeared in the Adriatic.

In such a critical state were the affairs of the black-gowned woman who gazed from the palace windows to the sea. The doctor was with her son. The boy's condition seemed to her no better, but worse than the day before; she waited an official verdict. The door opened and she looked up as a tall man came in.

"Doctor," she stammered and stopped—she feared to ask.

"Your majesty," the old man said gravely. "I grieve to be the bearer of bad news."

"He is worse, Doctor?" The words came with a gasp; she felt that she could not face more trouble.

"Yes, your Majesty, the fever has increased since yesterday. With his youth and strength we may hope—if he is carefully nursed—but to move him would be madness."

Queen Hortense struck her hands together. "What can I do? What can I do?" she demanded, and the doctor stood gravely regarding her, helpless, with all his devotion to the house of Bonaparte, to suggest a way out. "If he stays he will be taken—they will execute him. If he goes he will die on the way," she cried in an agony of indecision. "Doctor, tell me, think for me—how can I save him?"

And the doctor still stood silent, suffering with the impotent desire to help her. "If only the Austrians might think that the Prince were gone," he stammered, and lifted himself for the fullness of the words. But the Queen stood with a hand half lifted, arrested. Her blue eyes were alive with the crossing and weaving of swift ideas, and then with a catch of her breath she laughed at him like a pleased child. "Doctor, you are a very clever man," she said. "Together we are going to save the Prince."

The vivacity of the schoolgirl of Madame de Campan dashed for a moment into her manner, warmed to sudden life by the joy of hope. The doctor waited, enchanted, bewildered, to hear his cleverness explained, but Hortense did always the unexpected thing. She shook her finger at him.

"I'm not going to tell you," she said. "At least not till I have to—not till tomorrow at all events. But all today, as you visit your patients you may think that you are saving the Prince from his enemies—and tomorrow you may know how. Goodbye, Doctor," and puzled and pleased, the physician was gone.

"Send Fritz to me," the Queen ordered, and a moment later the young man who was for years the confidential servant of Hortense, who knew more of the history of her middle years, perhaps, than any other, stood before her. "Fritz, when does a packet sail for Corfu?" she demanded.

Fritz Rickenbach considered it his business to know everything. "Tonight," your Majesty," he answered unhesitatingly.

"You will see that the luggage of Prince Louis is on board, and that a carriage is ready to take him there," she ordered.

"But yes, your Majesty," Fritz still stood regarding her seriously. "It is a great happiness to me, your Majesty, that his Highness is well enough to travel."

Fritz knew perfectly that there was a complication somewhere, and he wanted to know what it was. His curiosity was patent, but his deep interest in the affairs of his people could not be an impertinence, and the Queen smiled at him.

"You shall know about it, Fritz," she said. "The Austrians are coming. The Prince can not be moved. If they take him, it means death. They must believe that he is gone, and it is for you and me to make them believe it, Fritz. You must get a passport signed by all of the authorities—that is easy today; you must engage his place in the packet for tonight; you must tell the servants—tell every one—that the Prince goes to Corfu, and you must see that the proper luggage is on board. It will be known that I stay, but they will not molest an ill woman. Do you understand the plan, Fritz?"

"But yes, your Majesty," Fritz answered with his face alight.

And so the packet sailed for Corfu, and all day before the sailing the servants of Hortense moved busily between the palace and the boat, carrying luggage and making arrangements. And only one or two knew the secret that Prince Louis Bonaparte had not sailed in the packet but lay tossing with fever in a little room beyond his mother's, carried there for greater privacy by Fritz and the doctor.

Two days later, as the Queen sat quietly by her boy's bedside, she heard that the vanguard of the Austrians had entered the city, and almost at once Fritz came to tell her that the palace in which she was staying had

been chosen for the residence of the general commanding. The probability of this had not entered her mind; it seemed the last straw. The Austrian officer demanded the Queen's own chamber for his chief, but when the steward's wife told him the name of the lady who was in the rooms which had not been given up, he bowed deeply and said not a word. It was another of that brotherhood scattered over Europe—the friends of Hortense; it was an officer who had protected her years before at Dijon.

So for a week they lived side by side with their enemies and only a few feet lay between the Prince and capture, for his room was next that of the Austrian general, with but a double door between. It was a life of momentary anxiety, for the Queen feared each time the invalid spoke, that they might recognize a man's voice; when he coughed she turned white. But at the end of the week Louis was at last well enough to go. He was to leave Ancona disguised as one of his mother's lackeys, the young Marquis Zappi was to put on another livery, and over the frontier they were both to change and be the sons of Hortense traveling on the Englishman's passport.

## CHAPTER XIII.

### The Ruse.

The day before the escape, as the Prince, weak and ill yet, lay in bed, word was brought that a messenger of the marquis wished to see the Queen.

"Let me see him too, my mother," the silent, grave young man begged. "It may be that I can help you. I wish to help."

In a moment Fritz introduced a slight alert person whose delicate face was made remarkable by a pair of eyes large and brilliant and full of visionary shadows, yet alive with fire. One saw first those uncommon eyes and then the man. If they had not been entirely concerned with his message they might have remarked that he trembled as he looked at the Prince's face; that his voice shook as he answered the Queen's question.

"I have the unhappiness, your Majesty, to bring you bad news," he said, speaking to her, but still gazing eagerly at the Prince. "The Marquis Zappi, my employer, is ill. He was taken suddenly last night, and today is much worse, and there is no chance that he can travel with your Majesty tomorrow."

The Queen threw out her hands with a gesture of helplessness. "What can we do?" she exclaimed. "Am I to plan and plan and have always an unquarable obstacle? Can I not save my boy? I might have known that everything seemed too bright this morning, too good to be true. Yet it is not possible that after all they

should—she looked at her son; her courage came springing back. "They shall not take you," and her eyes flashed defiance at a world of enemies, and she went over and threw her arm about his neck. "Louis, don't let yourself be excited, dearest. They shall not take you. I can save you."

It was as if she put a spur to her brain; there was a moment's glance and the two ladies watched her brows drawing together under the concentration of her brain.

"Of course," she said suddenly, and laughed—a spontaneous laughter which seemed to flood her with youthfulness. She turned her blue glance swiftly on the newcomer, the slender boy with the luminous eyes. "You are in the employ of the Marquis Zappi, monsieur?"

"But yes, your Majesty. I am the secretary of Monsieur le Marquis." She paused a second, seemed to take stock of the young man, of his looks, his bearing, his accent.





It is said that for the first time in many years Eastern railroads have a surplus of idle cars. Another evidence of the workings of the Wilson tariff.

Next year is expected to be a great year in yachting circles and Newport must of necessity get much of it. Sir Thomas Lipton deserves the thanks of our people in advance.

Land on Fifth avenue, New York, sold this week for one hundred seventy-five dollars a square foot. A house lot would cost some money in New York especially on Fifth avenue.

The officials of the Canal Commission believe that if no further slides take place, the first ship will go through the Panama canal in January instead of some time next summer, as had been expected.

It has cost the government \$1,466,000 to run the Postal Savings banks, and only \$537,832 has been received in interest from banks on accounts. That would not seem to be very profitable banking for the government.

President Huerta's Committee on Ways and Means has about decided upon the confiscation of property belonging to foreigners. A more polite form of robbery would be an income tax.

Perhaps Huerta does not propose to follow U. S. in our bad examples any more than our good ones.

The MERCURY ALMANAC, to be issued this year on January 1st, will be the finest work of the kind ever issued in this or any other city. The illustrations, which this year will be more numerous than ever, were all made especially for this edition, and cover many objects of interest in and around Newport.

The Democrats are still having hard work with the currency bill in the Senate. Senator Weeks and other Republicans have served notice on the Democratic leaders that there will be no agreement to pass the bill unless provision for guarantee of bank deposits and use of "other lawful money" are eliminated from the bill.

President Elliott of the New Haven road says that expenses must be reduced. The number of employees must be cut down. Salaries will be reduced and all developments and improvements save those absolutely necessary for safety, will cease; there may be further loss to security holders and poorer service is likely, rather than better.

It is not often that a larger number of the business people of Newport are found together than came out on Tuesday noon to attend Capt. Cotton's funeral. The large number, of all denominations, Catholic as well as Protestant, showed with what esteem he was held by the people of Newport. His place in this community will not be easily filled. He will be greatly missed.

U. S. Senator Root says that he is too old to be President. We doubt it. He is as yet in the full vigor of health, and no man in the country is better fitted both by nature and training than he is. With Root for President there would be a man in the White House that had the welfare of the whole people at heart and knew just what to do to make the country universally prosperous.

The authorities at Washington now fear a great deficit in the Treasury unless a big cut is made in public expenditures. Appropriations for this year are approximately \$1,083,000,000, while the Secretary of the Treasury estimated the amount required for the new fiscal year will exceed that amount by \$50,000,000. We hear less about the billion dollar Congress than we did before the Democrats came into power.

Reports from English quarters show that the lowering of the tariff in the United States has given a great boom to trade over there, especially in Leeds, Dundee and Belfast. All English manufacturers and exporters are looking for great improvement in the future. The Wilson free trade bill pleases our English and German friends more than anything this country has done in many years. The foreign manufacturer is on the alert to take advantage of any slip we may make.

In the death of Captain Cotton, who passed away at his home on Saturday last, Newport loses one of the best loved of her adopted sons. Ever ready to put his shoulder to the wheel to advance the progress of any worthy enterprise, he was the leading spirit and the hardest worker in many a movement for the benefit of the city as a whole or for the relief of the suffering and needy. In his younger days a soldier, trained to command and to obey; later an engineer of ability skilled in the science of his chosen profession; possessed of a catholic taste in literature and the arts; having at the same time a mind able to grasp vast problems and a heart filled with sympathy for the poor and oppressed; his equipment was a valuable one to put at the service of the people of his beloved home. When he died, the community mourned; and yet many expressed their thankfulness for the quiet and peaceful manner in which his spirit slipped from the material to the higher world.

## Wilson vs. Wilson.

An astonishing statement was made at Seattle recently by Secretary Wilson of the department of labor, as he sat side by side with Samuel Gompers addressing the American Federation of Labor. Mr. Wilson said, according to the report in the New York Times, that "if the big corporations did not accept trade unionism willingly, it would be forced on them." There is another Wilson at Washington. He is the head of the Administration. He has his own ideas on the labor question and no fear that his secretary of labor is not familiar with them. In his baccalaureate sermon at Princeton University, only four years ago, President Wilson said: "Labor is standardized by the trades union, and this is the standard to which it is made to conform. No one is suffered to do more than the average workman can do. In some trades and handicrafts no one is suffered to do more than the least skillful of his fellows can do within the hours allotted to a day's labor and no one may work out of hours at all or volunteer anything beyond the minimum. I need not point out how economically disastrous such a regulation of labor is." It is a case of Wilson against Wilson. Which?

## The New Cup Defender.

The Vanderbilt American Cup defender which is to be built by the Harreshoffs at Bristol will be one of the finest ever constructed in this country. It is to have three different kinds of plating metal on her hull, the chief of which is a new bronze of the appearance of nickel, and said to be of great tensile strength; as well as being free of corrosion from contact with other metals. The metal, named Monell, is found to be very strong. The ingots are to be rolled into plates at Taunton, Mass.

The bronze will be attached to the body of the yacht from the water line to the keel, while steel plates will cover the yacht's topsides. The sloop will have aluminum in its make-up. The yacht's deck will be formed of such plating, and with a rubber cover to make the walking safe.

Capt. Chris Christensen, who is to be the skipper, is to follow the construction very closely.

## An Aged Voter.

A report from far off Oregon says: Mrs. Sarah Todd, 103 years old, and a sister-in-law of Abraham Lincoln, walked to the polls this month and cast her first vote. "Grandma" Todd, as she is familiarly known in Eugene, Oregon, has taken a lively interest in the referendum balloting. Born in Kentucky when that state was a wilderness, she moved to Missouri at an early age, and came to Oregon twenty years ago. This was, therefore, her first opportunity to enjoy the right of suffrage, and she was especially concerned over the fate of the university measures. "Grandma" Todd will be 104 years old March 29. Her husband's sister was Mrs. Abraham Lincoln.

The Republican National Committee at its session this week in Washington, has made entirely new rules governing the next national convention. The primary law of choosing delegates in vogue in many of the states is recognized, and the number of delegates for each state will be based on the size of the party in those states, thus greatly reducing the southern representation, where no Republican party is allowed to exist. The proposition to call a special convention this Spring to confirm these regulations was voted down by a large majority. The meeting was harmonious.

Reports from Pittsburgh say that since October 15 there has been a gradual decline in industrial activity, until today there are at least 125,000 men in western Pennsylvania working on an average of only three days a week. Sentimental fear of the tariff is alleged to have caused this depression. Railroads have not placed orders for rails for next year's delivery as they did last year. Orders placed to date will not aggregate 200,000 tons for 1914 delivery as against 600,000 tons placed last year at this time. A little more drastic legislation at Washington and Cox's Army, a million strong, will have nothing to do but take to the road.

Bachelors had better take warning. The authorities at Washington are going for them next. Representative Borland, looking for notoriety, has introduced a bill in Congress taxing all bachelors for the benefit of widows and orphans. His bill would tax unmarried men between 25 and 30 \$100 a year, 30 and 35 \$200 a year, and \$300 a year for those 35 and upward. Widows with one child under 14 years would get \$3 a month and those with more \$4 a month extra for each additional youngster.

The various insurance companies of the country own \$5000 shares of New Haven stock according to last reports. This stock is carried on their books at \$12.62,000. If this stock is sold at the prices prevailing at this time it would bring but \$5,780,000. This is a pretty large shrinkage, to say nothing about the loss of interest.

Pres. Gardner of the New England Navigation Co., before the House committee on merchant marine, stated that his line had reduced the passenger load about one-half to meet the capacity of lifeboats, and could not financially stand further reduction, owing to last year's deficit of \$250,000.

Mr. Fred Bryant of Harvard, who was operated upon for appendicitis a short time ago at the residence of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Bryant, is now making rapid recovery and will soon be out.

## MIDDLETOWN.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

COURT OF PROBATE.—At the Court of Probate held on Monday, December 15, the following estates were passed upon.

Estate of Isaac Barker. The third account of Abel F. Davis, Administrator de bonis non, with will annexed, was examined, allowed and ordered recorded.

Estate of Laura A. Barker. The third account of Abel F. Davis, Guardian, was verified, allowed and passed for record.

Estate of Minnie A. Johnson. Petition of Lewis L. Simmons, Guardian, for authority to sell real estate, was continued to the third Monday in January.

Estate of Alice P. Mayer. The petition of Henry Bedlow and Harriette Hall Morris, to appoint appraisers, to determine the value of real estate in the State of Rhode Island, was continued to the third Monday in January. A copy of the decree entered in the Superior Court December 11, dismissing the appeal of Henry Bedlow and Harriette Hall Morris, from the decree of the Probate Court of Middletown, denying their petition for the appointment of an Administrator, was received and ordered to be filed and recorded.

In Town Council. The Providence Telephone Company, on its petition, was granted permission to re-locate, some poles in Green End avenue on Honeyman Hill opposite the estate of Mary M. Emery, the work to be done under the direction of Lewis R. Manchester, a member of the Town Council.

The Newport and Fall River Street Railway Company, on its petition, was authorized to set four poles on Mantoloking avenue, under the supervision of Lewis R. Manchester.

It was voted to offer a reward of \$100 for information sufficient to convict any person connected with the burning of the storehouse on last Sunday morning, at the corner of Valley road and Green End avenue. The origin of the fire is supposed to be incendiary. The Withers school house, located a short distance east of the storehouse, barely escaped destruction by fire for the second time. The roof caught fire but men in the neighborhood applied water and extinguished the fire, before it obtained any good beginning. In February, 1907, the school house then standing on the site of the present one was totally destroyed by fire communicated from the furnace.

The following accounts were allowed and ordered paid from the town treasury.

William H. Sisson, for repairs in Room District No. 1, \$61.26; Elisha A. Peckham, repairing two bridges in Berkeley avenue, \$3.65; Arthur A. Brigham, services as Janitor at town hall, \$3.50; The Dighton Foundry Company, for furnace set and connected at the town hall, \$228; Elisha A. Peckham, work done in new cellar under town hall, \$19.70; H. L. Marsh & Co., for one shovel used at town hall, \$1; Chas. Peckham, for bound stones furnished and set in the Middletown Cemetery, \$6; making out two deeds of burial lots, \$1; A. Herbert Ward, inspecting road construction at south end of Paradise avenue, \$70; services as Assessor of Taxes, \$25; T. P. Pittman Corporation, advertising notice of reward, \$5.25; Jeanette Goffe, clerical assistance in office of Town Clerk, \$40; W. Clarence Peckham, balance due on contract for building 800 feet of stone road in Paradise avenue, \$189.46; Frank F. Nolan, services as prosecuting attorney in case State vs. Stephen Curran and Florence Pearce, Thomas G. Ward, complainant, \$100, in case State vs. John Levata, \$10; Nathaniel Champlin, carpenter work at Town Hall, \$33.13; Providence Telephone Company for telephone service in office of Town Clerk, \$4.33; at Town Hall, \$1.12; Bay State Street Railway Co., electric light at Town Hall, \$3.12; accounts for the relief of the poor, \$44. Total, \$392.46.

## PORTSMOUTH.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Mrs. Ida Smith Almy, wife of William L. Almy, of Tiverton, formerly of this town, died at her home on the Fogland road last week, of tuberculosis, which developed after an attack of pneumonia. She is survived by her husband and two daughters, Annie and Viola, and several brothers and sisters.

Saturday afternoon the Junior Auxiliary of St. Paul's Church held its regular mother's meeting during which Mrs. Thornley of Providence gave an address on the women's united offering for missions.

Col. William Barton Chapter, D. A. R., held a very successful Christmas sale at the chapter house. Miss Helen Coggeshall contributed a doll beautifully dressed, to be awarded to the person guessing her name. This was won by Miss Evelyn Chase. Miss Chase won a handsome doll at the County Fair which she presented to a little niece.

The Christmas sale given by the Ladies Benevolent Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the vestry of the Church was well attended, and the receipts were very gratifying. The room was prettily decorated with Christmas emblems. Mrs. Annie Tucker and Mrs. Charles B. Ashley had charge of the fancy-work; Mrs. Henry Hedley and Mrs. Emeline Wilcox were in charge of the cake; Mrs. A. Fremont Grinnell and Miss Minnie Brophy sold sandwiches; Mrs. Frank L. Tallman and Mrs. William B. Spooner sold ice cream; Mrs. William C. Dennis and Mrs. Leander W. Coggeshall were at the tea table; Mrs. David Hedley and Miss Lois Ashley sold candy and Mrs. Harrison Manchester ice-cream tickets.

Mrs. Timothy P. Darfee has been guest of Mrs. B. Percival Sherman.

Phebe Gifford Anthony, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abner P. Anthony, is ill with diphtheria.

Walter A. Sowle and William T. H. Sowle have returned from a business trip to New York.

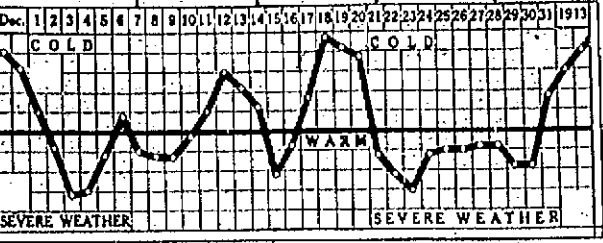
Mrs. Levi Almy is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Fremont Grinnell.

Mrs. Almira Tallman has returned from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Edward Brown of Glen St.

Mrs. Perry Chase left Tuesday for West Pond Beach, Florida, going with Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Whalen of Fall River. The party expect to remain all winter.

The Junior Auxiliary of St. Paul's Church held a Christmas sale in the Guild House on Tuesday from 4 to 8 o'clock. The tables were prettily decorated and contained a good assortment of articles suitable for Christmas gifts. The director, Mrs. Frederick C. Cooke was in charge of the affair; but the children who make up the society were at all the tables. Misses Katherine Boyd, Stella Hedley and Josephine Rose were at the tea-table. Misses Dorothy Barry and Hattie Robinson sold Christmas cards. Misses Annie Hall, Irene Sewall and Florence Rose sold souvenirs. Misses Eleanor Matthews

## WEATHER BULLETIN.



Southeast of a line drawn from Montreal, Canada, to El Paso Texas, temperatures of December will average lower than usual and precipitation about or above normal. Northwest of that line about or above normal temperatures with less than usual precipitation, except colder than usual on northern Pacific slope and in northern Rockies with more than usual snow. Temperatures will be lowest during the weeks centering on December 3 and 23 and highest during the weeks centering on November 30, December 18 and January 2. Storm forces will be greatest and most severe weather will occur during the weeks centering on December 2, 23 and January 1. Heaviest precipitation expected in vicinity of Gulf of Mexico.

Treble line represents normal temperatures. Where the temperature line goes above this normal line indicates warmer and where it goes below indicates cooler than usual. Temperature line dates are for Meridian 90. Count one to three days earlier for west of that line and as much later for east of it in proportion to the distance from that line which runs north and south through St. Louis.

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Washington, D. C. Dec. 18, 1913.

Last bulletin gave forecasts of disturbances to cross continent Dec. 22 to 26 and 26 to 30, warm waves 21 to 25 and 25 to 29, cool waves 24 to 28 and 28 to Jan. 1. These will bring ten days of lower temperatures than usual. The dates are for meridian 90 and the events will be from one to three days earlier west of that line and as much later east of it. A radical cold wave will cross continent Dec. 20 to 25 and the school boys' delight—winter snows—will prevail in northern sections.

Not far from Dec. 21 a cold wave and blizzard is expected, probably colder but not so severe as the storms of Dec. 4 to 8, but all should be on the lookout for it. These bad storms are expected in great central valleys about dates mentioned and in eastern sections about Christmas eve, the day before Christmas. They will increase in force as they progress eastward and will be at their greatest on the European steamer lines not far from Newfoundland. These storms will start about, a day or two apart but will unite in eastern sections. A large part of the holidays will be average winter weather.

Next disturbance will reach Pacific coast about Dec. 31, great Pacific slope by close of Jan. 1, great central valleys 2 to 4, eastern sections 5. Warm wave will cross Pacific slope about Dec. 31, great central valleys Jan. 2, eastern sections 4. Cool wave will cross Pacific

and Janet Wilkie presided at the candy table; Misses Elizabeth Anthony and Hazel Ford had charge of the cake table, Misses Hazel Dale and Ruth Mott had, charge of the fancy-work table. The attendance was good and a good sum was realized.

The New York Herald presents reports from more than 100 cities in nearly every state of the United States detailing the industrial and commercial conditions. New England, Northwest and Pacific groups report business "fair;" the north Atlantic group, comprising New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware, reports business "a standstill;" the south Atlantic, Gulf, western and southwestern groups all report business "booming;" the middle West group reports business "below par." All of which goes to show that the South is in the saddle and that every energy of this administration will be bent towards improving that section of the country to the detriment of the rest of the union.

## FIVE LEAD IN FIRE.

Many Others Injured in Salvation Army Lodging House in Cincinnati. Five are dead and a score were injured when fire, believed to be of incendiary origin, destroyed the Salvation Army home for men at Cincinnati. Many of the injured were overcome by smoke, while others suffered hurts in making their way out of the fire-swept building.

Several of the injured are in a serious condition. The dead are Arthur Sandell of Bangor, Me., bookkeeper and clerk of the home, and T. Sheddell, believed to have worked in this city. Three are unidentified.

Sandell was a son of a Presbyterian minister. There were 150 beds in the building, of which forty-five were occupied by the employees of the Salvation Army. Every one of the employees escaped and is accounted for.

## CASHIER AND MONEY GONE.

Employee of Paris Edition of New York Herald Charged With Theft.

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Ernest Laporte, cashier of the Paris edition of the New York Herald, who is charged with the embezzlement of \$24,000.

Laporte left a letter for James G. Bennett saying he was a partner in a prosperous Oriental pearl business in America. Some time ago he wished to extend this business and took \$20,000 of The Herald's money, which he sent to his partner, and the latter disappeared. Laporte says he did not want the business to collapse, so he took \$4000 more and started for America.

In his note Laporte says he hopes to repay the money with interest in a short time.

## TO OWN WIRE LINES.

Postmaster General's Declaration Taken Up in House.

Postmaster General Burleson's declaration for the principle of government ownership of telegraphs and telephones, as outlined in his annual report, just made public, undoubtedly will be followed by a Democratic caucus, in the house in January, which will decide how far the project is to be made an administration policy in congress.

Representative Lewis, who was foremost among the congressional leaders who worked out the parcel post, had prepared a bill on the new subject, but will give way to an administration measure backed by Chairman Mann of the house post-office committee.

## SHORT LINE.

## PROVIDENCE.

## Newport & Providence Railway.

In effect Sept. 15, 1913.

A car will leave Washington Square Week Days at 7:40 a. m. making close connection through to Providence by the way of Bristol arriving at Union Station, Providence, at 9:30 a. m. The other trips through the day will remain the same, leaving Newport at 50 minutes past the hour until 5:50 p. m. SUNDAYS connecting through to Providence leaving Newport each hour from 8:30 a. m. to 7:50 p. m.

G. W. TOWLE,  
Superintendent

## NOTICE.

## To the Newport Mercury.

Gentlemen:

The undersigned takes this method of informing his friends and especially the Representative Council of this City that he has been urged to be a candidate for the Office of Street Commissioner of the City of Newport for the year 1914, and say if elected I will serve the City to the best of my ability by giving my whole undivided attention to the duties of the office, which is required by law.

Hoping the Gentlemen of the Representative Council may think well of my candidacy.

I am yours truly,  
WM. HAMILTON,  
51 Bridge St., City.  
Newport, R. I., Oct. 7, 1913.

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## BECOMES THIEF FOR BABY'S SAKE

Daughter Would Become Blind  
Without an Operation

### CONFESSES WHEN ARRESTED

Cleveland Man Becomes Burglar  
When That Seemed to Be Only  
Way to Raise Money For Surgeon's  
Fee—Always Worked Alone and  
Was Not Suspected For Two Years

To save his baby daughter, Eleanor, from a life of blindness, George Collier, 24 years old, of Cleveland, O., turned burglar two years ago, and since that time, working always alone, he has stolen thousands of dollars' worth of loot.

He realized only a fraction of the value of the stolen goods, but the fund which was to pay for the operation on the child's eyes grew, and the \$5000 worth of loot detectives found buried at the home was a sort of reserve, held to insure the surgeon's fee, Collier, arrested, confessed.

A thin milky film which began to show itself in Eleanor's left eye a little more than two years ago caused Collier and his wife much uneasiness. Finally they took her to a physician and learned that an operation must be performed if the sight of the eye was to be saved and they were told if the membrane was not removed the sight of the other eye would probably be lost. At that time he was a day laborer in a boiler factory, earning \$1.65 a day.

That night husband and wife discussed for hours some way of obtaining the money needed for the operation, which the surgeon had said could not be successfully performed for two, possibly three years, but which must be done immediately when the film was ripe for the knife. The impossibility of saving enough out of the \$1.65 was clear, and finally Collier said, "There's only one way—take the money from those who have it."

At first his wife did not understand and when she did she protested until she saw baby Eleanor groping about. She nodded.

Then began Collier's career which has proved more baffling to the police than that of any other burglar who has ever worked in Cleveland. A few simple rules insured the lone marauder's success. He never entered a house after 9 o'clock at night; never entered a house which had another person in it; never entered a house in which there was a dog, and never went armed.

Most of the loot Collier disposed of himself, selling considerable quantities of gold and silver which he had reduced to unrecognizable lumps by heat, to manufacturing jewelers, but once in a while Mrs. Collier sold a piece of jewelry to a pawnbroker. Her trips excited the suspicion of the police, but her visits were so infrequent that she was never followed until a little more than two days ago, when she was followed to the Myrtle avenue address. For two days detectives watched the house.

Collier knew they were near and remained away from home until they went away Friday night. He entered the house, and the detectives, whose departure had been a ruse, returned to find him playing with the children. He was arrested and charged with the burglaries. Without hesitation, the police say, he admitted his guilt, and was taken to headquarters, where he told in detail of his two years' experiences as a burglar.

### COFFIN WAS SCARED

Aviator Has Enough of Flying After  
Driving the Brutal Beast

Ten years ago Wilbur Wright made his first aeroplane flight at Kittyhawk, N. C. On the anniversary, the Brutal Beast, said to be the most powerful aeroplane ever constructed, owned by Robert J. Collier, made four flights at Narragansett bay, several times reaching a speed of eighty miles an hour in the air and from fifty to fifty-five miles on the water.

Incidentally Frank Coffin, the aviator, who drove the Brutal Beast, announced after the trials that he was through with flying forever. He thinks he has been toying with fate long enough.

The engine for Collier's machine was built in France by special order. It has twenty cylinders and can develop 222 horsepower.

### HOBSON GETS CHALLENGE

Is Attacked For Absences From House  
by Representative Donovan

A challenge to a debate in Alabama on the question, "Resolved, That absence from congress by a representative in good health is honest and justifiable," was issued to Representative Hobson, of Alabama, by Representative Donovan, of Connecticut.

These members recently came near blows over the liquor question. Donovan says Hobson has attended the sessions of the house so infrequently that he ought to resign. Hobson accepts the challenge.

### Chose Death to Poorhouse

To escape passing Christmas in the poorhouse, to which she was to have been taken, Mrs. Mary Armstrong, aged 70, committed suicide by inhaling gas at New York.

### Pioneer Aviator Dead

Leon Bolle, pioneer aviator, who made possible the first flights in France, died at Paris. Bolle who was then notable in the automobile industry, placed his services at the disposal of the Wrights at Mans in 1903 and thus enabled the American inventors to inaugurate aeroplaning in France.

## BOSTON WOMAN SAYS SHE WAS DRUGGED

Charges New Jersey Man Kept  
Her Prisoner Two Months

To save her husband and year-old child from being murdered, Mrs. Frank Monticello of Hanover street, Boston, said to be wealthy, drank, at the point of a revolver, a glass of water believed to have been drugged, and then, under threat of death while thus stupefied, went to Red Bank, N. J., with Samuel Zaparo of 212 Shrewsbury avenue, in that city.

That is the story she told Recorder Harry C. Madenau at Red Bank, after her escape from Zaparo's home by a ruse, following an imprisonment of two months. Zaparo is held on a charge of assault and battery. He is also said to be wanted by the Boston police for abduction.

### AFTER FATHER'S FUNERAL

Miss Mary Carlton of New Haven  
Commits Suicide by Drowning

Miss Mary Carlton, aged 23, jumped in Mill river, at New Haven, Conn., after attending the funeral of her father and was drowned.

Miss Carlton was well known in the section of the city where she lived. She grieved over the death of her father to such an extent that it affected her mind, according to the members of the family. The funeral service for Mr. Carlton took place in St. Patrick's church and the interment was in St. Lawrence cemetery.

Miss Carlton went to the grave, and, instead of returning home with the members of her family, she walked to the river front and threw herself in the water. Her body was found by a policeman an hour later.

### MAY LOSE SALARIES

Rhode Island Facing Deficit and  
Teachers Likely to Suffer

The state of Rhode Island is facing a deficit in its treasury, according to a statement made by General Treasurer Walter A. Read, and as a consequence the school departments in several of the cities and towns are likely to be financially embarrassed.

The state has been unable to meet any of the payments of school funds which fell due last Monday, and as a result some of the cities and towns expect to have difficulty in paying their teachers and other school expenses.

The shortage, Treasurer Read said, is due to the many appropriations made by the last session of the state legislature.

### KEROSENE EXPLODED

Mrs. Farrell of Woonsocket Poured  
Liquid Into Kitchen Range

A woman was burned to death at Woonsocket, R. I., when a kerosene can exploded as she was pouring the liquid in a kitchen range.

Mrs. Margaret Farrell, aged 55, a widow, victim of the burns, ran into an adjoining bedroom. Three young women, including one of her daughters, her grand-daughter and niece, jumped from the second story window. All were more or less burned and injured by the jump.

Acting Fire Chief David E. Stone rescued Mrs. Roscoe Cook and week-old baby. The property damage was slight.

### ARREST EX-BANK TELLER

C. H. Foster of Taunton Accused of  
Embezzling \$2500

C. H. Foster, late teller of the Bristol County National bank at Taunton, Mass., was arrested by United States Deputy Marshal Ruhl, on a complaint alleging the embezzlement of \$2500 from the bank on Oct. 23, 1913. He was arraigned before Commissioner Goodspeed and bail was fixed at \$3000 for a hearing.

Foster resigned from the bank in October and later paid back to the bank \$2500 in cash, bringing the amount of an alleged shortage which the directors claimed to have discovered.

Salem Undertaker Picks Bride  
Frank E. Smith, a Salem, Mass., undertaker, after waiting fifty-seven years, has found the woman of his heart. She is Lullie G. Coffin, 47 years old, and well known locally as an entertainer.

Maine Grange Is For Suffrage  
Women's suffrage was endorsed by the state grange of Maine.

### VERMONT IN TOW

Further Trouble Develops In Crippled  
Battleship's Engine Room

Wireless messages received at Sandy Hook, N. Y., from the battleship Vermont, disabled last week when she broke a shaft, state that on Sunday morning she was forced to reduce speed to eight knots because of additional trouble.

Some of the holding rivets of the port truss bearings were carried away and on Monday she was forced to stop and request aid from the battleship Delaware, which has been detailed to accompany the disabled vessel to Norfolk. The Delaware has taken the Vermont in tow and is proceeding at a three-knot speed.

### DEAD UNDER AUTOMOBILE

Partly Burned Body of G. H. Baker  
Found in Remnants of Car

The partly burned body of George H. Baker, aged 41, of Owego, N. Y., son of Ex-State Railroad Commissioner Frank H. Baker, was found lying beneath the burned remnants of his touring car at Apalachin, a short distance from this city.

Baker left Owego to visit his sister, Mrs. John Webster, in this city, and started for home in the morning. How the accident occurred is not known.

## GREAT TANNERY PREY OF FLAMES

Woburn Plant of Cattle Com-  
pany Reduced to Ashes

### OIL AND GREASE FEED FIRE

Explosions of Gas and Steam Frequent  
but Firemen Escape Injury as They  
Were Forced to Work at Distance  
Owing to Heat—Loss is \$250,000—  
Trains Delayed an Hour

Fire destroyed the tannery of U. Cattle Leather company, Woburn, Mass., causing a loss of \$250,000.

As the plant was within 100 feet of the Boston and Maine railroad tracks, hose had to be laid over the rails. As a result no trains could be run past the scene of the fire. Hundreds of home-bound residents of Woburn and Winchester were delayed for more than an hour.

Oil and grease fed the flames, which spread rapidly and could be seen for miles around. Within an hour the plant was reduced to ruins. Nothing remained standing but the chimney and boilers. More than 10,000 people were attracted to the scene.

Explosions of gas and steam were frequent, but the firemen of Woburn and Winchester escaped injury, because they were forced to fight the flames from a distance on account of the intense heat. Fifty operatives are thrown out of employment for the Christmas season.

The main building was a four-story wooden structure and was connected with four smaller structures by wooden runways. The whole plant covered an area of 350x200 feet.

When the fire broke out Superintendent William H. McGowan, Michael Lilley the watchman, and James Morin, another employee, were in the main building. The first they knew of the fire was when they heard the automatic sprinkler begin to work.

The building was valued at \$50,000 and the machinery, much of which was new, at \$200,000. The loss is largely covered by insurance.

The factory is one of the oldest in Woburn. It was rebuilt in 1898 after a boiler explosion that killed six men. Until recently it was operated by the G. H. Forbush company, which was petitioned into bankruptcy and its business taken over by the Cattle company.

### BIG LONDON DEAL

Nineteen Acres in Heart of City  
Changes Hands

What is believed to be the biggest private real estate deal on record was completed by the purchase of the Duke of Bedford's block of Freehold property, covering about nineteen acres in the vicinity of Covent Garden, in the centre of London, by Harry Mallaby-Deeley, a Unionist member of the house of commons.

Many millions of pounds sterling changed hands over the transaction, but the figures were withheld, the agents vouchsafing only the information that the price exceeds by several million pounds the sum paid for any other single property.

Roughly speaking the estate includes the Royal Opera, the Drury Lane, the Aldwych, the Strand and the Lyceum theatres, several hotels, Covent Garden Market, Bow street police court, the National Sporting club and several great printing establishments.

### CARDINAL RAMPOLLA DEAD

Former Secretary of State at Vatican  
Passes Away Suddenly

Cardinal Rampolla, secretary of state under Pope Leo XIII., and one of the great powers of the Catholic church, died suddenly in Rome. Not even a rumor that he was ill had reached the public.

Cardinal Rampolla, in addition to the honors he has enjoyed, was about to receive another token of the regard in which he was held by the pope and the sacred college. He was about to be named dean of the sacred college, succeeding the late Cardinal Oreglia, who died recently.

The cardinal was also looked upon as a probable successor to Pope Pius X., the veto power of Austria which prevented his being elevated to the papal throne in 1893, having been abolished by the present pontiff soon after he became supreme head of the church. He was born in 1843.

### Rumor of Peerage For Bryce

The bestowal of a peerage on James Bryce, formerly British ambassador at Washington, is foreshadowed by Truth, in writing about probable new year's honors.

### NEW ENGLAND GLEANINGS

A man believed to be James P. Fagan, a mill operative of Manton, N. H., was killed at East Greenwich by a train. He was identified by a pay envelope.

Guisepppe D'Amico of Boston, foreman for a firm engaged in a sewer contract was killed by the explosion of dynamite at Pittsfield, Mass.

Wilnot B. Eldridge and his wife, Addie B. Eldridge of West Gardiner, Me., met their death on Dec. 7 last by suffocation from smoke and fire, the cause of the fire being unknown," according to the verdict rendered by the coroner's jury.

Laborers Die in Fire  
Martha Coughlin, aged 40, and Leon Roberts, aged 60, both farm laborers, lost their lives in a fire which damaged the Vernon House at Rockville, Conn.

## REPRIMANDS FOR CARABAO DINERS

Incident Will Be Passed by  
Without Courtmartial

The Carabao dinner incident will go into army and navy archives without a reprimand and not through court-martial of the officers who sanctioned the skits at the organization's banquet, according to belief of officials. Secretaries Garrison and Daniels were said to have reached the conclusion that no court of army or navy officers would render a verdict of "guilty" in the case of brother officers charged with a culpability which no service man will admit was worth dignifying into an issue.

Blame for what the cabinet officers have finally decided was the most serious offence in connection with the dinner—dissemination to the press of an advance story which stated that the organization would stage various stunts "showing their lack of sympathy with the Democratic Philippine policy"—having been assumed by Dr. J. M. Heller, on the non-active army list, it was stated that the whole incident would be dismissed with a severe reprimand to the Carabao officers.

### A TRAGIC EXPERIENCE

Helpless Woman Afloat Twelve Hours  
With Dead Man

After having been adrift for twelve hours in a small launch which she was unable to manage Mrs. M. E. Bearce, a tourist from St. Louis, was rescued at Miami, Fla. In the boat with the woman was the dead body of her companion, George D. Smith.

Shortly after the couple started out for a boat ride the engine became stalled, and while working over it Smith dropped dead from heart disease.

Mrs. Bearce knew nothing about running the boat, and drifted about in the darkness until her cries were heard by fishermen.

### PUZZLED OVER WORD

American Jury at Paterson, N. J.,  
Unable to Arrive at Verdict

The meaning of the Italian word "batteli" as Carlo Tresca, the industrial Workers of the World leader, used it in addressing the striking mill workers at Paterson, N. J., last spring, puzzled the members of an American jury.

Tresca was tried for inciting the strikers to violence. The question that made it difficult for the jury to agree was whether Tresca when he said "batteli" urged the audience to "hit" or "strike" the police, or merely to "beat" or "conquer" them.

### DAVIS PLEADS GUILTY

Ironworker Confessed to Dynamiting  
Non-Union Built Work

George E. Davis, an iron worker, arrested in New York a few months ago, pleaded guilty to a charge of having conspired to transport explosives illegally, when arraigned in the federal court at Indianapolis.

Davis told the federal officers that he had caused many explosions in structures in the east which were being erected by non-union workmen. The charges are similar to those on which thirty-three union men were convicted here last December.

### Fear Lynching of Negroes

The three negroes charged with the murder of Mrs. Jefferson Irlby, near Wrens, Ga., were brought to Augusta, Ga. They were taken from the Waynesboro jail because it was feared that the small force of soldiers on guard there would be unable to cope with the mob.

### Root Denies Candidacy

A denial that he was a candidate for the Republican nomination for the presidency in 1916 was made in the senate by Elihu Root. Root said he could not and would not accept the office. Before the next president is inaugurated, he said, he would be 72 years of age.

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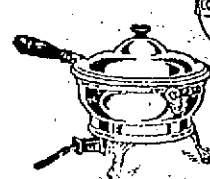
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Burns, Mary A. Geoffroy  
Brown, Julia J.  
Carr, George C., Trustee  
Cory, Lucy M.  
Curley, Michael  
Davis, Mary E.  
Dodge, Jennie T.  
Doyle, Alice M.  
Grinnell, Herbert A.  
Graf, Gottlieb  
Hall, Robert D., Jr.  
Hessy, Mary  
Hooper, Laura M.  
Horgan, Elizabeth  
Howland, Charles G.  
Johnston, Nellie  
Johnson, Samuel  
Keeley, Elizabeth, Trustee  
Landaw, Carl H.  
Landaw, Fred A.  
McFever, George  
McNamara, Margaret  
Millikin, Catherine E.  
Millikin, Maud A.  
Newbold, Maud S. Ledyard  
Newton, Philip S.  
O'Brien, Mary  
Patten, Edith B.  
Potter, Edward C.  
Seabury, William H.  
Stacy, Mrs. William T.  
Sullivan, Annie C.  
Sullivan, Hannah P.  
Sweeney, William S.  
Westcott, Macey V. Dunn  
Willis, Hannah R.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1913.

Rhode Island Chronology, from notes of John Barber, Esq. Taken from manuscript of Dr. Henry E. Turner, now in possession of the Newport Historical Society.

1776. Babcock, Col. Henry, makes Newport Harbour too hot for the British Vessels, and they retreat with loss of a prize (he died Oct. 6, 1800, ag. 65 yrs.)

1776. British Fleet, under Sir Peter Parker, consisting of 70 sail of men of war and transports, having on board 8000 English and Hessians under command of Gen. Clinton, came in on the 1st Dec'r and on the 8th. landed the troops at Newport.

1776. Bradford, William, Deputy Governor, also 1777.

1777. Burgoyne, Gen., surrenders to Gen. Gates October.

1777. Barton's party included Major Adams of Train of Artillery, Capt. Samuel Phillips, Lieut. Potter, Lieut. Babcock, Ensigns Stanton and Willcocks.

1778. Bowen, Jabez, Lt. Govr.; also 1779; also 1781 to 1785.

1779. Oct. 29. British forces evacuate Rhode Island.

1780. Nov. 20. Barker Giles, (Middletown) fell off the tongue of his cart and was killed. (Bad liquor.)

1781. May. Barras Admiral De, arrived at Newport and took command of the French Fleet.

1782. Balfour, Col. Andrew, formerly of Newport, died at Randolph Co., N. C. (killed by Tories, in March.)

1783. Babcock, Hon. Joshua, formerly of Newport, died at Westerly, Jan. 1, ag. 76, Patriot, Magistrate and Physician.

1783. Bennett, Col. Job, Judge C. C. P. etc., died Aug. 22, ag. 67.

1784. Baptist Church in Providence received a bell, 2500 lbs., and a clock, from London. Oct. 4.

1784. Bull, Capt. Wm. of Newport, died at Charleston, S. C., aged 44 yrs., March 10. An eccentric character.

1785. Brown, Hon. Joseph, brother of John, Nicholas and Moses of Providence, Professor of Exper. Phil. Providence College, etc., died Dec. 3d, of apoplexy, ag. 52 yrs.

1789. Bowler, Metcalf, died in Providence, in Sept. at an advanced age. He married May 3, 1760, Ann Fairchild, of Newport.

1790. Bourne, Benj'n Representative to Congress.

1791. Briggs, Rev. John, or'd Pastor, Congregational Church, Tiverton, Dec. 27.

1791. Brown, Nicholas, Esq., a merchant in Providence, and grandfather of John Carter Brown, died, Sept. ag. 62 yrs.

1792. Bridge, Howland's Ferry, Co. incorporated.

1792. Bradford Hon. Wm. of Bristol, U. S. Senator, vice Jos. Stanton.

1792. Brown, Beriah, Sheriff, Co. Washington, many years. Died, July, at North Kingstown.

1792. Badger, Rev. Moses, Episc. Ch., Providence, died Sept., ag. 50 yrs.

1794. Bowne, Benj., and Francis Malbone, elected members of Congress over Joseph Stanton and Peleg Arnold.

1794. Barker, Peleg Sr., died Newport, March, aged 78 yrs.

1795. Bank of R. I., Newport, incorporated in October.

1796. Bridge, Howland's Ferry, carried away, Jan. 17.

1796. Breeze, Major John, British Army, made vice Consul for Rhode Island.

1796. Beer, Oliver C., a Seaman from Newport, returned home in July, having been a captive for four years, in Marquesas.

1796. Bridge rebuilt. Finished in September.

1797. Block Island boat capsized, and four men drowned, Feb. 11.

1797. Aug. 18. Brindley's Ropewalk partly burned down.

1798. Burrill, James Jr., Attorney General.

To be continued.

Queries.

7559. HOWLAND, HARLOW, RICKARD Who were the parents of the following: 1. Howland Mary—wife of Samuel Howland, of Duxbury and Freetown. He died 1716-16.

2. Harlow, Hannah—second wife of Samuel Harlow. He was born Plymouth, 1652.

3. Rickard, Mary, wife of Giles (4) Rickard (Josiah 3, Giles 2). He was born 1700—W. D. H.

7560. WILLIAMS—Was Richard Williams of Taunton a relative of Nathaniel Williams, born 1769, died 1822 of Taunton, who married Abathea Dean?—L. W. W.

7561. DENNIS, BATCHELOR—Marrah (or Mary) Dennis of Salem married John (2) Batchelor July 12, 1861. Should like to know the name of her parents.—F. C. H.

7562. THOMAS—Jabez Thomas, born in Middleboro, Mass., Dec. 8, 1710, died Middleboro, Nov. 3, 1784, married, Phoebe. She died in Middleboro, May 21, 1772. Wanted, maiden name of Phoebe Thomas, dates and where she was born and married, names of her parents with dates and where they were born, married and died.—M. S. R.

7563. WOODBURY—Ancestry wanted with dates of Mary Woodbury of Salem or North Beverly, who married Israel Woodbury, Nov. 1, 1716. Senwood.

7564. COOK—Captain Jacob Cook, born 1707, living in Middletown, Conn., in 1743, married Mary. He died at Otis, Mass., Sept. 2, 1800. What was the maiden name of his wife? What was the name of his father, and where was he born?—S. P. S.

7565. HALL—Can anyone tell me the

name of the father of Samuel Hall, born in Worthington, Mass., 1780?—E. H. W. C.

7566. SPRAGUE, TEFFT—Wanted ancestry of James Sprague, who married John Tefft, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Jencks), about 1698, in South Kingstown, R. I. What was the date of marriage of John and Joanna?—H. L. C. N. Y.

7567. TOWN, KENNEY—Ephraim Town (or Town) of Oxford, Mass., married on Dec. 31, 1719, at Woodstock, Conn., Sarah Kenney. Will someone please give ancestry of Sarah Kenney?—T. W. H.

7568. SMITH, NICHOLS—Can anyone give us the parentage and early homes of Jesse Smith, born 1768, and of Susanna Nichols, born 1764 or 66? They were married in Washington, Berkshire County, Mass., 1785.—M. E. W. C.

## ANSWERS.

7552. GIBBS—The Pirates Own Book, published in Portland, by Francis Blake, 1856, gives an account of Charles Gibbs, from which the following items are taken.

Charles Gibbs was born in the state of Rhode Island, in 1794; his parents and connexions were of the first respectability.

When about fifteen years of age, feeling a great inclination to roam, and like too many reflecting youths of that age, a great fondness for the sea, in opposition to the friendly counsel of his parents, privately left them, and entered on board the United States Sloop of War, Hotelot, and was in the action when she captured the British sloop-of-war, Peacock, off the coast of Pernambuco. Upon the return of the Hornet to the United States, her brave commander, Capt. Lawrence, was promoted for his gallantry to the command of the unfortunate Chesapeake, and to which he was followed by young Gibbs, who took a very distinguished part in the engagement with the Shannon, which resulted in the death of Lawrence and the capture of the Chesapeake. After the engagement, Gibbs became with the survivors of the crew a prisoner of war, and as such was confined in Dartmoor prison until exchanged.

He returned to Boston, and opened a grocery in Ann street, but his new business proved unsuccessful, and he abandoned it for the sea. While on a cruise on board a Buenos Ayrean privateer, a quarrel between officers and crew in regard to the division of prize money, led to a mutiny, and the mutineers took possession of the vessel and sailed to the West Indies, and being determined to win their fortunes at any cost, they captured more than twenty vessels and murdered nearly four hundred human beings. This was the beginning of Gibbs' career of piracy. Unfortunately, the copy of the Pirates Own Book, to which I have access, lacks a number of pages, which evidently contained the description of his last days, and the date and place of his execution. Another copy would probably help.—E. M. T.

## MIDDLETOWN.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

The Paradise Club declared a recess of two weeks preceding Christmas and will hold no meetings until December 31, when Mrs. Wm. C. Hubbell, the president, will present as the Wednesday afternoon program, "Stories of New Year's Days." Mrs. N. B. A. Champlin will be the hostess.

Last week's meeting of the Oliphant Club was held with Mrs. Wm. H. Sisson. Quotations from the authors were followed by an unusually interesting and instructive collection of Current Events selected by the hostess who also presented a program of Christmas poems. Coffee and cake were served. The Club observes this week its 17th anniversary at the home of Mrs. Edward Almy. This event is annually observed by special program arranged for Whittier's birthday on which day the club was organized by the late Mrs. James R. Chase. The committee comprises Mrs. Almy, Mrs. Elbert A. Sisson, and Mrs. Abram Chase.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hazard, who celebrated informally on Friday last, their 50th wedding anniversary, were pleasantly surprised late in the afternoon by a call from the members of St. Columba's Guild, who had been spending the afternoon at the near by Berkeley Parish House. Among the gifts was a silver double heart pin for Mrs. Hazard and a "golden cake." Numerous other gifts were received, also a post card shower. Mr. and Mrs. Hazard's son, Mr. Harry Hazard, and two children spent the day at the Hazard Homestead.

The "500 Club" held its first meeting of the season with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Peckham last week. The ladies' prize was won by Miss Nellie R. Peckham, and the gentlemen's prize by Mr. Wm. Truman Peckham. An elaborate collation was served.

The Venerable R. P. Spurr, arch-deacon at Middleborough, W. Va., who has been chaplain at the Mountville state penitentiary for 20 years, gave a most stirring account of his work among the poor whites of the south at the morning service Sunday at the Berkeley Memorial Chapel, speaking before a large congregation. He was guest of Mrs. Eugene Sturtevant. In the evening, at the Berkeley Parish House, Mr. Philip Eaton, a master at St. George's School, gave an illustrated lecture upon the same subject. During the vacation at the School the Sunday evening lectures will be omitted.

Dandelions still continue in blossom and a flowering quince is reported at Valley Road in bloom.

Mrs. Charles H. Ward has been confined to her home on Turner's Road since Friday of last week and is being cared for by Mrs. Ida Hathaway.

Wild cherry trees, the breeding places of the tent caterpillars, are being cut down by many farmers at the East side.

It was voted at the monthly meeting of the School Committee Tuesday evening to close the schools on Friday for a two weeks Christmas vacation so that the Christmas exercises will be held on this date instead of on Tuesday next. Superintendent Champlin resigned the position which he has held for a great many years as trustee officer and this office will be filled at the next meeting. Mrs. E. A. Peckham was again re-appointed to take the school census.

The annual meeting of Newport County Temora Grange was held Tuesday at Fair Hall, Portsmouth Grange acting as hostess and serving dinner at noon. The following officers were elected for 1914: 15. Worthy Master Mrs. Helen A. Wilcox of Tiverton; Overseer, Mr. George H. Simmons of Little Compton; Lecturer, Mrs. Arthur Sherman of Portsmouth; Steward, Mr.

William Potter of Tiverton; Asst. Steward, Walter Soule of Portsmouth; Chaplain, Mrs. Eliza Clarke Peckham of Middletown; Treasurer, Mr. William S. Slocum of Middletown; Secretary, Miss Glover L. Hamby of Tiverton; Gate Keeper, T. Giles Carr of Jamestown; Ceres, Mrs. May Chase Spooner of Middletown; Pomona, Mrs. Fied Armbrust of Jamestown; Flora, Miss Lottie Manchester of Tiverton; Lady Asst. Steward, Mrs. William T. Wood of Nantuxet Grange Stone Bridge. Mr. I. Lincoln Sherman was re-elected for three years as a member of the Executive Committee. There will be a public installation at Fair Hall on the afternoon of January 20, Worthy State Master Joseph A. Peckham officiating.

The Christmas tree festival of the Berkeley Memorial Chapel will take place Tuesday evening at the Berkeley Parish House, that at the Methodist Church Wednesday evening, and that of Holy Cross and St. Mary's parishes on Saturday p. m. Dec. 27, at Holy Cross Guild House.

The Bull storehouse, or "the old laundry" on the Hillside farm land at the corner of Valley road and Green End avenue, was burned to the ground at about three o'clock last Sunday morning. It was evident that it was of incendiary origin. Mr. Ernest Weston of Newport had purchased the building this fall and it was being taken down for the lumber which it contained. The roof and some of the interior had been removed so that it was practically empty. The structure was some 35 by 50 feet and was three stories high. A clapboard from the burning building has been retained by one of the neighbors. Upon it is written "S. uel Spooner, 1864," supposedly the date of its erection. It formerly occupied a site on the south side of the road and was moved across to the north side in 1875. Had it not been for the efforts of James Richie and Charles Feltham, it is probable that the Witherbee school would have burned.

As it was it caught fire several times on the roof. The change of wind soon after the fire started saved the near-by cottages from immediate danger. The fire in the building was too far underway when discovered to be put out and all that could be done was to assist in carrying water across the road to save the school house. The fire was still smoldering at 5 p. m.

The Christmas rush at the Postoffice gives promise of swamping the whole force before the holiday is past. This is the first Christmas that the parcel post law has been in effect and nobody dares to prophesy what the result will be. Every day the size of the incoming and outgoing mails are increasing and the force has now about all it can swing to. If there comes a sudden jump of several times the present volume of business, as is not impossible, it would surely mean trouble in large bunches for the postoffice people.

There was a sudden drop in the temperature Thursday night, thermometers registering only a little above 20 degrees Friday morning. Thursday evening a high wind sprang up suddenly and sent the mercury shivering down the tube very rapidly.

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## TOWN OF NEW SHOREHAM.

## Notice of Application FOR Liquor Licenses.

AT A SESSION of the Town Council of New Shoreham, held Dec. 1st, 1913, applications were made for license to sell pure, spirituous, malt and intoxicating liquors, at retail only, by the following named persons:

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By order of the Town Council of New Shoreham.  
EDWARD P. CHAMPLAIN,  
Clerk.

12-20-13w.

Probate Court of the City of Newport  
December 19th, 1913.

Estate of Mary C. Denman.  
CHARLES E. CLARKE, Guardian of the person and estate of Mary C. Denman, of full age, of said Newport, presents his first account with the estate of said ward, for allowance; and this same is received and referred to the fifth day of January next, at ten o'clock a. m., at the Probate Court room, in said Newport, for consideration; and it is ordered that notice thereof be published for fourteen days, once a week, in the Newport Mercury.

DUNCAN A. HAZARD,  
Clerk.

12-20-13w.

GUARDIAN'S NOTICE.

Newport, December 19th, 1913.

THE undersigned hereby gives notice that she has been appointed by the Probate Court of the City of Newport, Guardian of the person and estate of JOHN M. MANNING, of full age, of said Newport, and has given bond according to law.

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